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For : HUMAN FGF GENE AND GENE EXPRESSION PRODUCTS

Examiner : Sharon L. Turner  
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Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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AMENDMENT

### Introductory Comments

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003, please extend the period of time for response three months to expire on January 15, 2004. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the required fee (Deposit Account Charge). Please amend the application as shown on the attached pages.